

PRESIDING OFFICER'S  
RULING NO. MC2002-2/6

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Experimental Rate and Service Changes  
To Implement Negotiated Service Agreement  
With Capital One Services, Inc.

Docket No. MC2002-2

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING  
GRANTING MOTIONS FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE  
OF INTERROGATORY RESPONSES

(Issued November 20, 2002)

On November 5, 2002, the Postal Service filed two motions for late acceptance of responses to interrogatories: Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response of Witness Crum to Interrogatory of Newspaper Association of America (NAA/USPS-T3-11), and Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses of Witness Wilson to Interrogatories of Newspaper Association of America (NAA/USPS-T4-1-10). The motions request acceptance of interrogatory responses one day late. On November 14, 2002, the Postal Service filed a third motion for late acceptance, Motion for Late Acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service Witness Wilson to Interrogatories of American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO Redirected from Witness Crum (APWU/USPS-T3-2(a)-(c)). This motion requests acceptance of an interrogatory response two days late. In each of the above motions, the Postal Service states that the delay in providing the response was caused by the large number of filings on the date the response was due. On November 18, 2002, the Postal Service filed a fourth motion for late acceptance, Motion for Late Acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service to Interrogatory of American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, Redirected from Witness Plunkett (APWU/USPS-T2-11). This motion requests acceptance of an interrogatory response four days late

caused by the need for discussion involving many people, together with the press of other business. No party should be prejudiced by these delays. The motions for late acceptance shall be granted.

### RULING

1. Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Response of Witness Crum to Interrogatory of Newspaper Association of America (NAA/USPS-T3-11), November 5, 2002, is granted.
2. Motion of United States Postal Service for Late Acceptance of Responses of Witness Wilson to Interrogatories of Newspaper Association of America (NAA/USPS-T4-1-10), November 5, 2002, is granted.
3. Motion for Late Acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service Witness Wilson to Interrogatories of American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO Redirected from Witness Crum (APWU/USPS-T3-2(a)-(c)), November 14, 2002, is granted.
4. Motion for Late Acceptance of Response of United States Postal Service to Interrogatory of American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, Redirected from Witness Plunkett (APWU/USPS-T2-11), November 18, 2002, is granted.

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